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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : BERLIN

ACTION: EE 6

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ROUTINE

TO: FRAN

INFO: DIR, BONN

PRECEDENCE
CITE: BRLN

CADORY DTLINEN

IMMEDIATE HANDLING

RE: A. BRLN 1165 (IN 15029)

B. BRLN 1198 (IN 15384)

C. BRLN 1259 (IN 17282)

② we should make separate reports 3 results.

1. FOLLOWING LATEST DEVELOPMENTS RATZEK CASE:

A. POLICE INVESTIGATORS VISITED CENTRAL FILES SECT

4 OCT 1800 HOURS. INSPECTED PHYSICAL LAYOUT. TOOK STATEMENT FROM ALIAS GABLER (CHIEF CENTRAL FILES SECTION) PER PARA 1 REF B. WERE SATISFIED WITH PROCEDURES, ETC. FILES SECTION.

B. ALIAS KLAUSEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY BY POLICE

4 OCT 2100 HOURS. POLICE INTERROGATED HER RE DISAPPEARANCE DOCUMENTS FROM CENTRAL FILES. KLAUSEN DENIED INVOLVEMENT. WAS HELD IN CUSTODY OVERNIGHT.

C. RATZEK ARRESTED/HOUSE SEARCHED 5 OCT 0600 HOURS.

POLICE FOUND APPROX EIGHT DTLINEN REPORTS. HE CONFESSED OTHER REPORTS HIDDEN UNDER COAL PILE IN CELLAR. EIGHT MILITARY AND

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
SOURCE METHOD EXEMPTION 3B2B

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10/15 OTHER TYPE REPORTS FOUND THERE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL COPIES REPORTS PRINTED BY STERN/BZ. ALSO FOUND LETTER ENVELOPE LISTING TRUE NAMES AND ALIASES APPROX NINE DTLINEN STAFFERS.

D. DURING POLICE INTERROGATION RATZEK STATED KLAUSEN BROUGHT COPIES REPORTS TO HIS HOME AFTER HE HAD BEEN DISMISSED FROM DTLINEN. HE CONTINUED CLAIM HE PERSONALLY NEVER STOLE DOCUMENTS FROM CENTRAL FILES BUT THAT SOME WERE MAILED TO HIM BY UNKNOWN PERSON. SINCE DOCS IN QUESTION BORE NO MARKINGS HAVING BEEN FOLDED IN ENVELOPES, POLICE REJECTED THIS EXPLANATION. RATZEK ADMITTED GIVING COPIES MILITARY REPORTS TO WELT/STERN/BZ.

E. AFTER SHOWN SIGNED RATZEK STATEMENT, KLAUSEN CONFESSED SHE TOOK REPORTS FROM CENTRAL FILES AND BROUGHT THEM TO RATZEK HOME.

2. POLICE CHARGED RATZEK WITH TREASONABLE ACTIVITIES (LANDESVERRAETERISCHEUMTRIEBE) UNDER PROVISIONS PARA 100 E FREIHEITSSCHUTZGESETZ. THIS ACTION BASED ON FACT THAT SOURCES OF REPORTS POSSIBLY IDENTIFIABLE BECAUSE THEY WERE MENTIONED BY TRADE OR PROFESSION, THUS GIVING PERSONS UNKNOWN (PRESUMABLY THOSE WORKING FOR THE EAST) WHO MIGHT HAVE COME IN POSSESSION

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REPORTS OPPORTUNITY TO TRACE AND ARREST SOURCES.

3. CASE GOES TO JUDGE FOR HEARING 7 OCT. IF CHARGES SUSTAINED, CASE AUTOMATICALLY GOES TO JURISDICTION BUNDESGERICHTSHOF PER PARA 100 E. IF CHARGES INSUFFICIENT, CASE WILL PROBABLY BE HANDLED AS THEFT DOCUMENTS.

What happened. Query soon if filed so or not come

4. DTLINEN MAKING NO COMMENTS RE SITUATION. INQUIRIES WILL BE REFERRED TO POLICE.

5. NEWHAM SECURED SERVICES LAWYER IDENTITY 1. LATTER KNOWN TO NEWHAM FOR MANY YEARS. IDEN 1 COMING BRLN 9 OCT CONFER WITH NEWHAM. ALLEGEDLY HAS EXCELLENT REPUTATION IN FEDREP, ESPECIALLY WITH BUNDESGERICHTSHOF OFFICIALS KARLSRUHE. REQUEST FRAN/BONN ADVISE REPUTATION QUALIFICATIONS IDEN 1.

6. FYI: BELIEVE IT PREMATURE ATTEMPT ASSESS RAMIFICATIONS RATZEK CASE VIS A VIS WEINERT/STERN/BZ SINCE THIS DEPENDENT OUTCOME PRECISE CHARGES AGAINST RATZEK. WILL KEEP YOU ADVISED NEW DEVELOPMENTS.

7. BELIEVE CAWASH BRIEFING DESIRABLE. DEFER FRAN DECISION WHETHER BRIEFING [] IS ADVISABLE IN VIEW RATZEK ALLEGED CONTACT TO []

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